

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A content distribution system comprising (i) a server that stores for storing a plurality of contents, each content of the plurality of contents containing a plurality of resources and that distributes distributing the plurality of contents-content and (ii) a receiving terminal that receives-for receiving the plurality of contents-content distributed from the server and individually performs viewing processing on each resource of the plurality of resources contained in the distributed contents,

wherein the server comprises:

a content storage section that stores-for storing the plurality of contents-content, each stored content of the plurality of stored contents-content including (i) the plurality of resources being kept, by a plurality of different methods, in a state such that each resource of the plurality of resources cannot be used as is an upper-level resource to be first referred to within the content and to be displayed, and (ii) a startup document that describes a lower-level resource to be referred to from the upper-level resource and to be displayed, and (iii) a startup document providing a plurality of pieces of license information, each respective piece of license information-identification information identifying a plurality of view licenses that are license required for viewing all-or a part of the resources of the plurality of resources included in the content, each respective piece of license information corresponding to one of reference destination information of the upper-level resource and a predetermined usage rule, such that one resource of the resources contained in one content of the plurality of contents includes first link information indicating a link destination for accessing a predetermined resource contained in the one content and includes second link-and the content including information that indicates a link destination for accessing resources contained in another content of the plurality of contents and

that describes reference information referring to a the startup document of the another content-
that is different from the content and being described in link information for accessing resources
of the other content; and

a determination section that receives a presentation request for a resource from
the receiving terminal and that determines whether the presentation request includes the first link
information or the second link information; and

a communication processing section for that (i), when the determination section
determines that the presentation request includes the first link information, distributes receiving a
presentation request for a the predetermined resource that is accessed based on the link
destination indicated by the first link information from the receiving terminal, (ii), when the
requested resource is contained in the content that is currently being viewed, presenting the
requested resource to the receiving terminal, and (iii), (ii), when the determination section
determines that the presentation request includes the second link information, distributes the
resources that are accessed based on the link destination indicated by the second link information
to the receiving terminal requested resource is contained in the other content that is not currently
being viewed, presenting the upper-level resource to the receiving terminal and provides-
providing the receiving terminal with the plurality of pieces of view licenses license information
identified by based on the identification information described in a description of the startup
document referred to by the reference information described in the second link information of
the other content, the startup document of the other content being referred to in the link
information, and

wherein the receiving terminal comprises:

a view license storage section that stores the plurality of view licenses for a

content of the plurality of contents that includes a resource of the plurality of resources that is currently being viewed;

a communication processing section ~~that for receiving~~, when a presentation of a new resource of the plurality of resources is specified from the resource that is currently being viewed and that includes the first link information or the second link information, transmits, to the server, a presentation request for a resource, of the plurality of resources, including the first link information or the second link information, and receives the requested resource in accordance with the presentation request from the server ~~the content to be viewed has changed, the plurality of pieces of license information provided from the server;~~ and

a view processing section that (i), when a resource of the plurality of resources is distributed from the server without a view license, of the plurality of view licenses, being provided therein, executes the view processing on the resource distributed from the server by using a view license of the plurality of view licenses stored in the view license storage section- ~~for, each time the plurality of pieces of license information are provided from the server, (i)- setting, for view processing, all view licenses identified by the plurality of pieces of license information provided from the server and (ii), when a resource of the plurality of resources is distributed from the server along with the view license of the plurality of view licenses, stores the view license distributed along with the resource in the view license storage section and then executes~~ ~~executing~~ the view processing on-a the resource distributed from the server by using-all the stored view license distributed along with the resource ~~licenses set for the view processing.~~

Claim 2 (Previously Presented) The content distribution system according to claim 1, wherein the plurality of view licenses are previously stored in the server and wherein the

receiving terminal obtains, from the server, the plurality of view licenses set for the view processing.

Claim 3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Cancelled)

Claim 5 (Currently Amended) A server ~~that stores for storing~~ a plurality of contents, each content of the plurality of contents containing that contains a plurality of resources and ~~that distributes distributing~~ the plurality of contents content to a receiving terminal, the server comprising:

a content storage section ~~that stores for storing~~ the plurality of contents content, each stored content of the plurality of stored contents content including (i) the plurality of resources being kept, by a plurality of different methods, in a state such that each resource of the plurality of resources cannot be used as is an upper-level resource to be first referred to within the content and to be displayed, and (ii) a startup document that describes identification information a lower-level resource to be referred to from the upper-level resource and to be displayed, and (iii) a startup document providing a plurality of pieces of license information, each respective piece of license information identifying a plurality of view licenses that are license required for viewing all or a part of the resources of the plurality of resources included in the content, each respective piece of license information corresponding to one of reference destination information of the upper-level resource and a predetermined usage rule, such that one resource of the resources contained in one content of the plurality of contents includes first link information indicating a

link destination for accessing a predetermined resource contained in the one content and includes
second link and the content including information that indicates a link destination for accessing
resources contained in another content of the plurality of contents and that describes reference
information referring to a the startup document of the another content that is different from the
content and being described in link information for accessing resources of the other content; and

a determination section that receives a presentation request for a resource from the
receiving terminal and that determines whether the presentation request includes the first link
information or the second link information; and

a communication processing section for that (i), when the determination section
determines that the presentation request includes the first link information, distributes receiving a
presentation request for a the predetermined resource that is accessed based on the link
destination indicated by the first link information to from the receiving terminal, (ii), when the
requested resource is contained in the content that is currently being viewed, presenting the
requested resource to the receiving terminal, and (iii) (ii), when the determination section
determines that the presentation request includes the second link information, distributes the
resources that are accessed based on the link destination indicated by the second link information
to the receiving terminal requested resource is contained in the other content that is not currently
being viewed, presenting the upper level resource to the receiving terminal and provides
providing the receiving terminal with the plurality of pieces of view licenses license information
identified by based on the identification information described in a description of the startup
document referred to by the reference information described in the second link information of
the other content, the startup document of the other content being referred to in the link
information.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended) A receiving terminal that receives ~~for receiving~~ a plurality of contents ~~content~~ distributed from a server that stores ~~storing~~ the plurality of contents, each content of the plurality of contents containing ~~that contains~~ a plurality of resources, and that individually performs viewing processing on each resource of the plurality of resources contained in the distributed contents, the receiving terminal comprising:

 a view license storage section that stores a plurality of view licenses for one content of the plurality of contents that includes a resource of the plurality of resources that is currently being viewed, the plurality of view licenses being required for viewing all of the resources of the one content that includes the resource that is currently being viewed;

 a communication processing section that, when a presentation of a new resource of the plurality of resources is specified from the resource that (i) is currently being viewed and (ii) includes first link information indicating a link destination for accessing a predetermined resource contained in the one content containing the resource that is currently being viewed or includes second link information that indicates a link destination for accessing resources contained in another content of the plurality of contents other than the one content and that describes reference information referring to a startup document, of the another content, that describes identification information identifying the plurality of view licenses that are required for viewing all of the resources of the plurality of resources of the another content, transmits, ~~to for,~~ each time the content to be viewed has changed, ~~receiving, from~~ the server, a presentation request for the new resource, of the plurality of resources, including the first link information or the second link information, and receives the requested resource in accordance with the presentation request from the server ~~plurality of pieces of license information, each respective~~

~~piece of license information corresponding to a predetermined usage rule and identifying view licenses required for viewing all or a part of the resources contained in the content; and~~

~~a view processing section that (i), when a resource of the plurality of resources is distributed from the server without a view license, of the plurality of view licenses, being provided therein, executes the view processing on the resource distributed from the server by using a view license of the plurality of view licenses stored in the view license storage section- for, each time the plurality of pieces of license information are provided from the server, (i)- setting, for view processing, all view licenses identified by the plurality of pieces of license information provided from the server and (ii), when a resource of the plurality of resources is distributed from the server along with the view license of the plurality of view licenses, stores the view license distributed along with the resource in the view license storage section and then executes-executing the view processing on-a the resource distributed-provided from the server by using-all the stored view license distributed along with the resource-licenses set for the view processing.~~

Claims 7-14 (Cancelled)

Claim 15 (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium having a program recorded thereon, the program to be executed in a content distribution system including (i) a server that stores-storing a plurality of contents, each content of the plurality of contents containing a plurality of resources and that distributes-distributing the plurality of contents-content and (ii) a receiving terminal that receives-for receiving the plurality of contents-content distributed from the server and individually performs viewing processing on each resource of the

plurality of resources contained in the distributed contents, wherein each stored content of the plurality of stored contents ~~content~~ includes (i) the plurality of resources being kept, by a plurality of different methods, in a state such that each resource of the plurality of resources cannot be used as ~~is an upper-level resource to be first referred to within the content and to be displayed, and~~ (ii) a startup document that describes ~~lower-level resource to be referred to from the upper-level resource and to be displayed, and~~ (iii) a startup document providing a plurality of pieces of license information, identification information identifying a plurality of ~~wherein each respective piece of license information identifies a view~~ licenses that are ~~license~~ required for viewing all ~~or a part of the resources of the plurality of resources contained in the content,~~ wherein each respective piece of license information corresponds to one of reference destination information of the upper-level resource and a predetermined usage rule, such that one resource of the resources contained in one content of the plurality of contents includes first link information indicating a link destination for accessing a predetermined resource contained in the one content and includes second link ~~and wherein the content includes information that indicates a link destination for accessing resources contained in another content of the plurality of contents and that describes reference information referring to a~~ the startup document of ~~the another content that is different from the content and being described in link information for accessing resources in the other content,~~

the program causing the server of the content distribution system to execute a method comprising:

a determination step of receiving a presentation request for a resource from the receiving terminal and determining whether the presentation request includes the first link information or the second link information; and

a presentation step of (i), when the determination step determines that the presentation request includes the first link information, distributing the predetermined-
presenting, to the receiving terminal, a resource that is accessed based on the link destination
indicated by the first link information to the receiving terminal and (ii), when the determination
step determines that the presentation request includes the second link information, distributing
the resources that are accessed based on the link destination indicated by the second link
information to for which presentation is requested from the receiving terminal and providing the
receiving terminal with the plurality of view licenses identified by the identification information
described in the startup document referred to by the reference information described in the
second link information, the resource for which presentation is requested being presented to the
terminal when the resource for which presentation is requested is contained in the content that is
currently being viewed; and

a provision step of, based on a description of the startup document, presenting the
upper-level resource to the receiving terminal and providing, to the receiving terminal, the
plurality of pieces of license information when the resource for which presentation is requested
from the receiving terminal is contained in the other content that is different from the content and
that is not currently being viewed, and

the program causing the receiving terminal of the content distribution system to execute a method comprising:

a storing step of storing the plurality of view licenses for a content of the plurality
of contents that includes a resource of the plurality of resources that is currently being viewed;

a communication processing-reception step of, when a presentation of a new
resource of the plurality of resources is specified from the resource that is currently being viewed

and that includes the first link information or the second link information, transmitting, to the server, a presentation request for a resource, of the plurality of resources, including the first link information or the second link information, and receiving the requested resource in accordance with the presentation request from the server ~~plurality of pieces of license information provided from the server, the plurality of pieces of license information being received when the content to be viewed has changed;~~

a view processing ~~setting~~ step of (i), when a resource of the plurality of resources is distributed from the server without a view license, of the plurality of view licenses, being provided therein, ~~each time the plurality of pieces of license information are provided from the server, setting all view licenses for view processing, the view licenses being set for view processing being identified by the plurality of pieces of license information; and~~

~~an execution step of~~ executing the view processing on a ~~the~~ resource distributed from the server by using ~~all the~~ a view license of the plurality of view licenses stored in the view license storage section and (ii), when a resource of the plurality of resources is distributed from the server along with the view license of the plurality of view licenses, storing the view license distributed along with the resource in the view license storage section and then executing ~~set for~~ the view processing on the resource distributed from the server by using the stored view license distributed along with the resource.